

1170 Terminal Tower
Cleveland, OH 44113
Lima Towers, A Limited Partnership
\$183,379

Aimco
4582 S. Ulster Si. Parkway Suite 1100
Denver, CO 80237-2632
White Cliffs Apartments
\$182,685

Owensville Commons, Limited
P.O. Box 190
Lancaster, OH 43130
Owensville Commons
\$106,512

Charleston Court, Limited
603 West Wheeling Street
Lancaster, OH 43130
Charleston Court, Ltd.
\$108,373

Villa Park Ltd.
603 W Wheeling St
Lancaster, OH 43130
Villa Park, Ltd.
\$183,105

Fish Creek Plaza, Limited
1201 Third Avenue, Suite 5400
Seattle, WA 98101
Lawrence Saltis Plaza
\$190,908

National Church Residences of Wapkoneta,
Ohio
2335 N. Bank Dr.
Columbus, OH 43220
Wapakoneta Village
\$100,903

S J Strauss Lodge of B'Nai B'Rith Housing
61 East Northampton Street
Wilkes-Barre, PA 18701
B'Nai B'Rith Apartments
\$166,420

United Housing Partnership-Morristown, Ltd.
55 Beattie Place
Greenville, SC 29602
Laurelwood Apartments
\$96,890

Gunn Garden Apartments, A Limited
Partnership
35 Union Avenue, Suite 200
Memphis, TN 38103
Gunn Gasrden Apartments
\$131,979

Knopp Enterprises, Incorporated
22 Terry Court
Staunton, VA 24401
Plaza Apartments
\$370,833

Wisconsin Housing Preservation Corp.
2 E Mifflin St Ste 401
Madison, WI 53703
Chateau/Regency Apartments
\$162,281

Senior Towers Associates
6190 Canal Road
Valley View, OH 44125
Senior Towers
\$216,282

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Office of the Secretary

Statement of Findings: Zuni Indian Tribe Water Rights Settlement Act of 2003

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Statement of Findings in accordance with Public Law 108-34.

SUMMARY: The Secretary of the Interior is causing this notice to be published as required by section 9 of the Zuni Indian Tribe Water Rights Settlement Act of 2003 (Settlement Act), Public Law 108-34, 117 Stat. 782-98. The publication of this notice causes the waiver and release of certain claims to become effective as required to implement the Settlement.

DATES: In accordance with section 9 of the Settlement Act, the waiver and release of claims described in section 7(b) and 7(c) of the Settlement Act are effective on December 19, 2006.

Contact: Address all comments and requests for additional information to Christopher Banet, Chair, Zuni Indian Tribe Water Rights Settlement Federal Implementation Team, Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Southwest Regional Office, 1001 Indian School Road, NW., Albuquerque, NM 87104. (505) 563-3540.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In 1984, the United States established a reservation for the Zuni Indian Tribe (Tribe) in northern Arizona, the Zuni Heaven Reservation, for longstanding religious and sustenance activities. On June 7, 2002, the Tribe and other parties entered into the Zuni Indian Tribe Water Rights Settlement Agreement (Settlement Agreement), a negotiated settlement of the water rights for the Zuni Heaven Reservation in the General Adjudication of All Rights to Use Water in the Little Colorado River System and Source. The Settlement Agreement resolves all of the Tribe's water rights claims in the Arizona portion of the Little Colorado River Basin, assists the Tribe in acquiring surface water rights therein, provides for the Tribe's use of groundwater therefrom and provides for wetland restoration of a portion of the Tribe's Arizona lands.

The purposes of the Settlement Act are:

(1) To approve, ratify, and confirm the Settlement Agreement entered into by the Tribe and the neighboring non-Indians;

(2) To authorize and direct the Secretary to execute and perform the Settlement Agreement and related waivers;

(3) To authorize and direct the United States to take legal title and hold such title to certain lands in trust for the benefit of the Zuni Indian Tribe; and

(4) To authorize the actions, agreements, and appropriations as provided for in the Settlement Agreement and the Settlement Act.

In order for terms of the Settlement Act and Settlement Agreement to be effective, the Secretary is required to make a statement of findings that certain conditions have been met.

Statement of Findings

As required by section 9 of the Settlement Act and as required by section 3.1.L of the Settlement Agreement, I find as follows:

1. The Settlement Act has been enacted in a form approved by the parties in paragraph 3.1 of the Settlement Agreement.

2. The funds authorized by section 4(b) of the Settlement Act have been appropriated by the United States and deposited into the Zuni Indian Tribe Water Rights Development Fund (Fund), established under section 6 of the Settlement Act.

3. The State of Arizona has appropriated and deposited into the Fund the amount required by paragraph 7.6 of the Settlement Agreement.

4. The Tribe has waived the condition, as provided in paragraph 3.2 of the Settlement Agreement, that it purchase or acquire the rights to purchase 2,350 acre-feet per annum of surface water rights.

5. The Tribe has waived the condition, as provided in paragraph 3.2 of the Settlement Agreement, that it acquire conditional approval for severance and transfer of surface water rights that the Tribe owns or has the right to purchase.

6. Pursuant to subparagraph 3.1.E of the Settlement Agreement, the Tribe and the Lyman Water Company have executed two separate agreements relating to the process of severance and transfer of surface water rights acquired by the Tribe or the United States and relating to the pass-through, use, and storage of the Tribe's surface water rights in Lyman Lake and the operation of Lyman Dam. The United States and the Arizona Game and Fish Commission were also signatories to the severance and transfer agreement, and both agreements were made in consultation with the City of St. Johns, Arizona and St. Johns Irrigation Company. The Lyman Water Company did not find it necessary to amend any operating procedures or by-laws in furtherance of these agreements.